

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

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For: METHOD FOR ANCHORING JOINING ELEMENTS IN MATERIAL HAVING
PORES OR CAVITIES AND JOINING ELEMENTS FOR ANCHORING

SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Before examination, please amend the above-identified
application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

✓ Please substitute the Substitute Specification submitted
herewith for the original translation of the parent PCT
application.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims ~~1-20~~ (claims 21 and 22 having been
previously canceled) and add the following new claims.

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A method for anchoring a joining element (3, 3.1,